

Hip-Hop Rap Calabo DJ Muggs vs GZA Grandmasters

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Hip-hop's Cypress Hill, founding member and architect DJ Muggs is releasing his latest effort, DJ Muggs vs. GZA: Grandmasters, this October on Angeles Records, an imprint on Fontana Distribution. The stunning collection contains 11-tracks of Muggs' neck-snapping beats with the legendary rap master Wu Tang's GZA on the mic.

"We've talked about collaborating since we worked together on the first Soul Assassins records back in 1997," remarks GZA. "And we're both Grandmasters at what we do," he says, referring to the album's title and term for a chess Virtuoso (Incidentally, chess is a game GZA thinks should be part of the school curriculum in America).

Most know GZA as perhaps the most lyrically gifted of the Wu Tang Clan. He has released numerous acclaimed projects in his own right. His solo album, Liquid Swords, has been hailed as a hip-hop classic, and his subsequent work has been lauded as among the most seminal of Wu-Tang's solo projects.

Never one to keep his talents in check, GZA is currently penning a book about the mind state of the hip-hop artist.

Aside from his lauded work with Cypress Hill and the Soul Assassins Crew, Muggs has launched Mash-Up Radio a syndicated radio show on KROCK 2 in NY, 10 U.S. cities and Sirius Shady 45. Plus, Muggs will headline the Lalapoolooza World Stage with the Mash-Up Circus, which is a massive 3D DJ circus (a" la Cirque de Soliel).

Just as DJ SCREW was looked at as the foundation for Chopped & Screwed, Muggs is fast becoming the go to guy for Mash-Up versions of records. Muggs has an original Mash-Up album nearly completed with tracks by Transplants, Mobb Deep, Alchemist, and GZA and

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several popular Mash Up mix tapes already out. Finally, he plans to release a Mash-Up re-release of the upcoming Grandmasters album with GZA.

With this latest collaboration, hip-hop heads are about to get an album which combines two of the most gifted music makers in the business. DJ Muggs vs. GZA: Grandmasters drops October 25th, 2005.